COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY

BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of:

THE TARIFF FILING OF BALLARD RURAL)			
TELEPHONE COOPERATIVE CORPORATION,)			
INC. FOR AN INCREASE IN RATES FOR)	CASE	NO.	90-040
PUBLIC AND SEMI-PUBLIC PAY STATIONS)			

ORDER

On February 15, 1990, Ballard Rural Telephone Cooperative Corporation, Inc. ("Ballard") filed a proposed tariff to increase local message rates for public and semi-public pay stations from 10 cents to 25 cents and make changes in the wording of the tariff. Ballard has proposed that this tariff become effective for service rendered on and after March 10, 1990.

The Commission finds that, pursuant to KRS 278.190, further proceedings are necessary in order to determine the reasonableness of the proposed rates and that such proceedings cannot be completed prior to the proposed effective date. Furthermore, Ballard's filing does not include proof that notice of the proposed increase has been provided to its customers.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that:

- 1. The proposed tariff be and hereby is suspended for five months from the proposed effective date, through August 10, 1990.
- 2. Ballard shall give notice to the public in accordance with the provisions in 807 KAR 5:011, Section 8(5).

3. Nothing in this Order shall prevent the Commission from entering a final decision in this case prior to the termination of the suspension period.

Done at Frankfort, Kentucky, this 7th day of March, 1990.

PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

For the Commission

ATTEST:

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